









## Notices of Firms.

**NOTICE.**  
FROM and after this date Mr. George F. Bowman will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.  
S. L. PHELPS,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
WE have authorized Mr. Claus Buden to sign our Firm from this date.  
DREYER & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. HENRY LESTON DALRYMPLE is authorized to sign our Firm per prouration, at Poochow from this date.  
BIRLEY & Co.  
Hongkong, June 3, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. RYLE BOLME has been admitted a partner in our Firm.  
GLOVER & Co.  
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the Style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.  
GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.  
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

## For Sale.

**FOR SALE.**  
UNTZ'S Yellow METAL, 20/28 oz. and NAILS.  
Also,  
Vivian's Patent Yellow METAL Keel PLATES, 12lbs. and 13lb. with NAILS.  
Apply to  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, June 14, 1867.

**FOR SALE.**  
THE following WINES, &c., of superior quality in lots to suit purchasers—  
Eugene Clichet dry CHAMPAGNE in Pints and Quarts.  
Sillery Mousseux, CHAMPAGNE, Carte Noire, A. de Laze & Fils CLARETS, Pints and Quarts.  
Villani CLARET, Quarts.  
ORABIS.  
BURGUNDY.  
Liebfrauenmilch, Josephdorfer Auslese, Rudesheimer, Fleur de Moselle, Superior Old PORT in 1 dozen cases, Superior dry Pale SHERRY in 1 and 3 dozen cases.  
Bass' ALE, Quarts and Pints.  
Bacley's STOUT, Quarts and Pints.  
Hennessy BRANDY in 1 dozen cases.  
A. de Laze & Fils Brandy in 1 dozen cases.  
Apply to  
CARLOWITZ & Co.  
Hongkong, July 17, 1868.

## Docks.

**THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.**  
THE Company registered at the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees and Masters of Vessels, to the Establishment at Hongkong and Whampoa, for the DOCKING and REPAIRING of Vessels of all classes.  
At Hongkong the Company have the only Dock in the harbour—a Granite Dock, solidly built, and of dimensions to admit ships of 350 feet in length, and drawing 22 feet of water.  
Attached to it there are Shipwrights, Blacksmiths, Boiler-makers and Machinery works, and everything necessary for the Repair of Sailing Vessels or Steamers.  
The Company have also opened a Shipyard by the side of the Hongkong Dock, and are ready to contract for the construction of Steamers or Sailing Vessels of any size.  
At Whampoa the Company have four Docks, in which they will take Ships at reduced rates.  
The Steam Tug "LITTLE ORPHEAN" can be engaged to tow Vessels to sea, or berth them, at reasonable rates.  
For particulars, apply to  
JOHN INGLIS,  
Acting Secretary.  
Or to  
A. D. MITCHELL,  
Manager of Works.  
Company's Office, Hong Kong Hotel Building, Hongkong, October 10, 1868.

**FOOCHOW GRANITE FLOORED DOCK.**  
THE above Dock has been in full working order for the last four years. Length 300 feet, width at bottom 40 feet, depth of water on the sill, average 17 feet, neaps 14 feet. The Dock in ordinary Tides runs dry to the blocks and is pumped out by Steam.  
For further particulars as to the price of cooping, &c., &c., apply to  
A. D. MITCHELL, Esq., Messrs De Silver & Co., Hongkong; Messrs Boyd & Co., Shanghai; or to the Undersigned.  
In connection with the above is the powerful Tug Screw Tug "WOOSUNG," Vessels requiring the services of this Tug either from Matsou (where a splendid anchorage will be found during the S. W. monsoon) or from the White Dogs, can obtain them at moderate rates, on application to  
JOHN C. SKEY,  
Manager,  
Pagoda Anchorage, River Min.  
HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

**SHAREHOLDERS** are requested to take notice that the seventh call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above named Company is due on the 1st December next and will be payable at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.  
Interest at the rate of Twelve per centum per annum will be charged after the above date.  
By order of the Board of Directors,  
GEORGE N. MINTO,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, September 2, 1868.

## New Advertisements.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on  
**SATURDAY,**  
the 31st October, 1868, at 11 A.M.,—  
(For account of whom it may concern,)—  
Ex "Geziena," from Rotterdam,  
(D in diamond) 37 kegs ROSENAILS.  
(All more or less damaged by sea water).  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
Hongkong, October 29, 1868. oc31

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.**  
The Steamship  
"KWANG TUNG,"  
Captain PETER, will leave for the above ports, on Saturday, the 31st instant, at 6 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, October 29, 1868. oc31

**STEAM-BOAT "MEKONG."**  
TENDERS are invited stating the lowest price for altering the above steamer lying at anchor off Shanghai, Canton, now propelled on the centre wheel system, into a paddle-wheel boat. Particulars may be obtained from the Undersigned, who do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.  
WM. PUSTAU & Co.  
Hongkong, October 29, 1868. no29

**FOR SALE.**  
RAMORNE, RATTIER, and  
PATEFINDER.  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, October 29, 1868. no6

**MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES COMPANY.**  
ONSIGNEES of Cargo per Company's Steamship "Hoggy," are requested to send in their bills of lading for counter-signature, and to take delivery of their Goods before the 31st instant, or they will be landed and stored at their risk and expense.  
C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent.  
Hongkong, October 29, 1868.

## HUNDRETH EDITION, REVISED AND ENLARGED.

**GUNN'S NEW FAMILY PHYSICIAN: OR HOME-BOOK OF HEALTH.**  
Forming a complete Household Guide, giving many valuable suggestions, for avoiding disease and prolonging life, with plain directions in cases of emergency, and pointing out in familiar language the causes, symptoms, treatment and cure of diseases incident to  
MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN,  
with the simplest and best remedies; presenting a manual for  
ROBUSTING THE SICK,  
and describing minutely the properties and uses of hundreds of well known MEDICAL PLANTS.  
By J. C. GUNN, M.D.,  
Author of Gunn's Domestic Medicine, with supplementary treatises on Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene or Domestic and Sanitary Economy;  
AND,  
On Physical Culture and Development.  
(Newly Illustrated and Retyped.)  
Publishers:  
MOORE, WILKINSON & BALDWIN.  
Sold to Subscribers only.—Price: \$10.

**CONFUCIUS AND THE CHINESE CLASSICS, OR READINGS IN CHINESE LITERATURE.**  
Price: \$2.50.  
NOTICE.—A few copies of the above WORKS can be had by applying to  
"B." C/o the China Mail Office.  
Hongkong, October 29, 1868. no29

**NOTICE.**  
THE Undersigned begs to inform the Public of Hongkong that he has just opened THE HOTEL DES COLONIES RESTAURANT, where he will personally superintend all his own Cuisine. He is prepared to take orders and deliver to any part of the City at the shortest notice. He is also ready to cater for the management of Balls, Parties, &c. Having been several years Cook of the New York Club, he feels confident, by a strict attention to business, to merit a share of public patronage.  
N.B.—Baked Pork and Beans, Thursday and Sunday. Fish Chowder, Tuesday and Friday.  
H. TIENT,  
Caterer.

No. 193, Queen's Road West, Hongkong, October 17, 1868. no17

**MORRIS'S DIRECTORY FOR CHINA JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES, &c., &c., 1868.**  
THE Undersigned begs to announce that the first volume of the above work will be published early in January 1869, and he requests that the schedules addressed to the different residents be returned as soon as possible and that all foreigners lately arrived in China will kindly send their names for insertion without delay. Orders will be received by and copies can be obtained from Messrs DUNN & Co. Swatow, Messrs GILES & Co. Amoy, Messrs HEDDE & Co. Fuchow, Shanghai Yokohama, Messrs GUSE & Co. Nagasaki, F. ALLEN, Esq., Clements Lane, London, and Messrs J. STRATMAN & Co. San Francisco.  
J. B. MORRIS,  
Hongkong.

N.B.—All advertisements must be sent in not later than 15th November, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Undersigned will not be responsible for any debts contracted by the Officers and Crew of the Dutch barque "Pantalon."  
(Signed) F. VAN DER TAS,  
Master.  
Hongkong, October 19, 1868.

**EASTLACK & WINN,**  
Surgeon Dentists,  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

**WALL & FROST,**  
General & Commission Agents  
NAGASAKI.

**NOTICE.**  
The above Programme is subject to any future alterations the Committee may find it necessary to make.  
Weights, colors, and names of each Crew for Presentation Prizes for Rowing must be stated of entering Boat.  
All entries (not otherwise specified) must be made to the Hon. Secretary, on or before the 31st October, 1868.  
The Races will commence each day at 1 P.M., and Tiffin will take place on board the Flag Ship each day after the Second race.  
A. McLEOD,  
Hon. Secretary,  
Victoria Regatta Club.

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## New Advertisements.

**VICTORIA REGATTA CLUB.**  
Committee:  
The Hon. Wm. Kewick, Chairman.  
J. RICKERT, Jr., Esq.  
RICHARD F. HAWKE, Esq.  
A. W. GLENNIE, Esq.  
A. McLEOD, Esq., Hon. Secretary.

**PROGRAMME of the 18th Annual Meeting, 1868.**  
FIRST DAY,  
Tuesday, 10th November, 1868.

**FIRST RACE, 1 P.M.**—For Boats pulled by non-commissioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison. Distance, one mile. Prizes: first Boat, \$25; second, \$10. Time for Oars. Entrance fee, \$1. Officers can officiate as Coxswains if necessary.

**SECOND RACE, 1.30 P.M.**—For Single Pair Sculling Boats. Distance, one mile. Prize: the GOLD CHALLENGER SCULLS, to be won two years in succession by the same member, and a Cup valued \$25, presented by the Club. Entrance fee, \$5.

**THIRD RACE, 2.30 P.M.**—For Four oared Canton Cutters. Distance, one mile and a-half. Prize: the CHATELAIN'S CUP, value \$250. Entrance fee, \$10.

**FOURTH RACE, 3 P.M.**—For Men-of-war's Gigs. Distance, one mile. Prizes: first Boat, \$20; second, \$5. Time for Oars. Entries received by R. F. HAWKE, Esq., until noon on Monday, the 9th November. Entrance fee, \$1.

**FIFTH RACE, 3.50 P.M.**—For Pair Oars and Two Pair Sculling Boats. Distance, one mile. Prize, the AMERICAN CUP, valued \$300, presented by the American Community. Entrance fee, \$5.

**SIXTH RACE, 4 P.M.**—For Canoes. Distance, from the shore to the Flag-ship, and once round. Prize: the BROKER'S CUP, value \$50. Entrance fee, \$2.

**SEVENTH RACE, 4.30 P.M.**—For House Boats pulled by Chinamen, the bond file crews of the Boats entered. Distance, one mile. Prizes: First Boat, \$15; second, \$5. Entrance fee, \$1.

**EIGHTH RACE, 5 P.M.**—For All Yachts. Schooners to sail as Cutters, deducting one-third of their tonnage. Time allowance fifteen seconds per ton. Prizes, the TONG-FOU CUP, presented by E. A. HIRSHCOCK, Esq., and the CANTON CUP, presented by the Canton Regatta Club. First Boat to have the choice of Prizes, the remaining Prize to go to second boat. Entrance fee, \$5. Particulars of the Course will be duly announced.

**SECOND DAY.**  
Wednesday, 11th November, 1868.

**FIRST RACE, 1 P.M.**—For Men-of-war's Cutters. Distance, one mile. First Boat, \$25; second, \$10. Time for Oars. Entries received by the Secretary until noon on Monday, the 9th November. Entrance fee, \$1.

**SECOND RACE, 1.30 P.M.**—For Pair Oars and Two Pair Sculling Boats. Distance, one mile. Prize, the BUSBY CUP, value \$100, presented by D. RUTTENBERGER, Esq., Winner of the American Cup excluded. Entrance fee, \$5.

**SIXTH RACE, 4 P.M.**—For Boats pulled by non-commissioned Officers and Men of any Corps in Garrison. Distance, one mile. Time for Oars. Prizes: first Boat, \$20; second, \$5. Winner of the first race first boat excluded. Entrance fee, \$1.

**SEVENTH RACE, 4.30 P.M.**—For Single Pair Sculling Boats. Distance, one mile. Prize, the KWONG-LOO CUP, valued \$100, presented by C. D. KERN, Esq., Winner of any Single Pair Sculling Race in China or elsewhere excluded. Entrance fee, \$5.

**EIGHTH RACE, 5 P.M.**—For four-oared Canton Cutters. Distance, one mile and a-half. Prize, the JINKER CUP, value \$100, presented by a Subscriber. Entrance fee, \$10.

**YACHT RACE.**—For Schooners and Cutters. Prizes, the NAVAL and GARRISON CUPS. No time allowance between Schooners and Cutters, but boats under 12 tons will be allowed 20 seconds per ton (for each ton under 12) in their own class. The first boat in either rig to have the choice of Prizes, and the first boat of the other rig to take the remaining prize. Entrance fee \$5. Particulars of the Course will be duly announced.

**OCEAN RACE.**—For Yachts. Prize, the DOUGLAS CHALLENGER CUP value \$500, presented by DOUGLAS LARRAIK, Esq., to be won two years successively by a Yacht or Yachts the bona fide property of the same owner. The Course will be from Hongkong Harbour to Macao and back. Schooners to sail as Cutters, deducting one-third of their tonnage. Time allowance one minute per ton. Entrance fee, \$10. Full particulars of the course and day of the Race will be duly announced.

## New Advertisements.

**CANTON RACES.**  
THE Races will take place on Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th December next.  
Further particulars will be duly announced.  
FRED. W. COARE,  
Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868. del7

**NEW BOOK.**  
"THE Speculations of 'The Old Philosopher' LAU-TSE."  
Translated from the Chinese  
BY  
JOHN CHAMBERS, A.M.  
Price \$1.50.

Also,  
"The Origin of the Chinese" by the same author: Price \$1.  
Apply at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. or The London Mission House.  
Hongkong, October 17, 1868.

**HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED.**

**NOTICE.**  
ON and after Monday next, the 19th instant, the Charges for Board at the Company's Hotel will be reduced to the following scale:  
For Board, to Residents or Non-residents, \$4 a month.  
For 1 Breakfast, ... .. \$0.80  
" 1 Dinner, ... .. 1.25  
On and after Wednesday, the 21st inst., no money will be taken at the Bar or in the Billiard Rooms. Tickets will be on Sale in the Bar and Billiard Rooms, price 25 cts each, and Drinks and Games must be paid for with these.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
C. LANGDON DAVIES,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, October 17, 1868.

**LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.**

**LIFE ASSURANCE.**  
THE Undersigned are authorized to issue Life Policies for sums not exceeding \$5,000.  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868. tf

**MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.**  
THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Fuchow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868. tf

**FOR SALE AT EAST POINT.**  
Complete assortment of Lowmoor and Thornycroft PLATE and SHEET IRON, BAR, ROD, ANGLE IRON and RIVETS, Double Shear, Spring and Blister STEEL, in round, square and flat bars. Rabbits METAL, Rods and Pipes. Gas FITTINGS of every description. Boiler TUBES, Pressure GAUGES, FILES, PACKING and all kinds of Engineer's Supplies.  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, September 1, 1868. mar10

**NOTICE.**  
DOCUMENTS Translated, at reasonable rates, from English, French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese or German into Chinese, or from Chinese into English. Address,  
The "China Mail" Office,  
2, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. J. THOMPSON begs to intimate that he is now publishing a Series of 40 Views of HONGKONG, price \$25:—  
10 Views from Plates, 14 by 12  
26 do. do. 10 by 8  
4 Small instantaneous Subjects from the DRAGON PROCESSION.  
Hongkong, September 4, 1868. tf

**COALS.**  
THE Undersigned are prepared to Coal Steamers on the most reasonable terms from a Cargo of English Steam Coals now afloat in this Harbour or from fresh Welsh and Australian Coals in Store.  
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.  
Hongkong, September 22, 1868. tf

**NOTICE.**  
NOW Publishing, a series of Photographic Views of Hongkong, Canton and Macao, Characteristic Groups, etc., by the Undersigned; about 150 Photographs to select from.  
In sets of 50 mounted, price, \$30.  
" 25 " 50 unmounted, " 20.  
" 10 " 25 " 15.  
" 5 " 25 " 10.  
FLOYD & Co.  
Hongkong, September 21, 1868.

**W. SALWAY,**  
ARCHITECT, SURVEYOR, &c.,  
10, Queen's Road Central,  
(Over Messrs MULLER & CLARKE'S.)

**GEORGE GLASSE,**  
(FIVE YEARS MASTER TO KINGSFORD & CO., PICCADILLY LONDON, AND 28, PLACE VENDOME, PARIS)

**ENGLISH AND FOREIGN CHEMIST**  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.  
SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS SUPPLIED & REFITTED.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1867.

**JOHN THOMPSON & Co.,**  
DISPENSING & ANALYTICAL CHEMISTS  
AND  
SODA WATER MANUFACTURERS.  
Ships' Medicine Chests supplied and refitted.  
"TEETH EXTRACTED."  
INTERNATIONAL DISPENSARY,  
23, Wellington Street,  
Hongkong.  
Hongkong, May 9, 1868.

## New Advertisements.

**SAYLE & Co.**  
VICTORIA EXCHANGE.  
INVITE inspection of their New and well assorted summer Stock of Black and Blue Broad CLOTHS.

Naval and Military CLOTHS.  
Light Mixt and Fancy TWEEDS.  
Self and Fancy Colored FLANNELS.

Plain and Fancy DRILLS, DUCKS, &c.  
Quilting and Marseilla VESTINGS.  
The Tailoring Department under the management of first class English Cutters.  
TIES and SCARFS in great variety.

The new Shapes in Gentlemen's COLLARS.

Long Cloth, Silk and Wool SHIRTS.  
PAJAMAS.  
Gauze, Morino and Silk UNDERVESTS.  
HOSIERY of all kinds.

Gentlemen's Straw and Felt HATS in Various Shapes.  
Household LINENS of every description.  
A large Stock of French Printed MUSLINS of the Latest Patterns.  
French Printed CAMBRICS.  
Black GLACES, Plain and Fancy Silk GAUZES.

Gravelines and other New Fabrics Embroidered, Printed and Made-up SKIRTS.  
CRINOLINES, Muslin EMBROIDERIES and LACES of all descriptions.  
Ladies' Trimmed HATS and BONNETS.  
FLOWERS, FEATHERS, &c.

Ladies' and Children's UNDER-CLOTHING.  
Ladies' Cotton and Lisle HOSIERY.  
LISLE and Silk GLOVES, &c.

Lace and Muslin CURTAINS.  
Hongkong, April 27, 1868.

## LATEST SHIPPING.

**ARRIVALS.**  
Oct. 29, Chantier, British ship, 739, Jenkins, Penang and Singapore, Sept. 19 and Oct. 1, Betelnut and Paper.—Order.  
**CLEARED.**  
Oscar Vidal, for Yokohama.  
Dei Facion, for Bangkok.

**SHIPPING REPORTS.**  
The Brit ship Chantier, from Penang and Singapore, reports light Southerly winds and calms to Polo Sapato, variable squally weather with a heavy Northerly swell to the Paracla, thence fresh N.E. breezes.  
(From the Canton Customs Daily Returns.)  
Summary of Imports and Exports, into and from the Canton Custom House, by the Native Craft during the week ended 25th October.

Imported from Hongkong:—  
750 piculs Alum  
23 baskets Biche-de-mer.  
49 piculs Chaff.  
63 bags Native Cigars.  
44 bales Cotton.  
60 bales Coke.  
40 packages Cutch.  
314 packages salted Fish.  
70 bales Gambier.  
343 packages Ghee.  
1365 pieces Buffalo Hides.  
630 packages and 116 pieces Nail Rods, Bars and Hoops.  
65 packages Iron Wire, Steel and Tin.  
160 piculs Mangrove Bark. Plates.  
31 packages Medicine.  
314 piculs Peas.  
99 Figs.  
870 bags Rice.  
9 bales Yellow Silk.  
16 piculs Sapanwood.  
46 boxes Tea.  
110 packages Tobacco.  
111 jars Varnish.  
288 packages Sundries.

Exported to Hongkong:—  
25 bundles Straw Bags.  
31 boxes Native Camellias.  
133 packages Charcoal.  
18 packages Chinaware.  
1600 jars salted Garlic.  
700 cases Ground Nuts.  
48 packages Iron Ware.  
30 tubs Yellow Lead.  
30 bundles Marble Slabs.  
206 bundles Mat Bags.  
33 packages Medicine.  
11 cases Paper.  
204 packages and 220 pieces Planks.  
140 Poles.  
33 jars Sauce.  
52 jars Soy.  
25 packages Tea.  
10 cases Tea Stalk.  
53 cases Tobacco.  
156 pieces and 5 pkgs. Wood Ware.  
30 jars Vinegar.  
90 earthen Jars.  
16 ppts Flowers.  
133 pieces Furniture.  
5 pkgs. Silk Piece Goods and Rib.  
180 pieces Cotton Umbrellas. [bons.  
282 packages Sundries.

**POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.**  
MAILS WILL CLOSE:—  
For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW, Per "KWANG TUNG," on Saturday, the 31st instant, at 5 P.M.  
For MANILA, Per "FREDERICK," at 3 P.M., Tomorrow, the 30th instant.

**UNDER DESPATCH.**  
For Swatow, Amoy and Fuchow, Per "Kwang Tung," on Saturday, the 31st instant, at 5 P.M.  
For Manila, Per Frederick, To-morrow, the 30th instant.

So we say, and we have not any doubt that an explanation will be obtained, of some sort or other. The experiment is being tried in the case which has a more local interest for the Acting Attorney General of Hongkong. The result is not by any means doubtful, and we possess our souls in patient waiting for it. This is the second paragraph.

Leigh Hunt seemed, assuredly, not lie in a nameless grave. He made his mark among us, and it must not be forgotten that he

On Saturday last the wife of the editor of the "Kwang Tung," at the ceremony was interred.

The figure comprised the billiard at \$12,000 a day.

## QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 29th October, 1868.  
OPIUM.—Latina, New, ... \$626 1/2  
Bouaries, New, ... 621 1/2  
Malwa, ... 645 a 655  
COTTON.—BOMBAY, ... 18 a 21  
CALCUTTA, ... 17 a 20 1/2

**Exchange.**  
Bank, 6 months' sight, ... 4 1/2  
Credits, 6 ... 4 1/2 a 4 1/2  
On Calcutta, 3 days' sight, Rs. 22 1/2 a 22 1/2  
" Bombay, 3 days' sight, Rs. 22 1/2 a 22 1/2  
Shanghai, 3 days' sight, Bank, Tia. 73 1/2  
Bar Silver, 17 dwts. B., ... 8  
Sycee, ... 5 1/2 a 6  
Mexicans, ... 3 prem.  
Gold Leaf, ... 23 1/2 a 23 1/2  
Gold Bar, 100 to 1, ... 23 30  
English Sovereigns, ... 4 1/2  
Australian Sovereigns, ... 4 1/2  
Discount, ... 9 a 12  
H. & S. Bank Shares, Old, ... 23 p.c. pm.  
Do. do. New, ... 31 p.c. pm.  
Union Dock ... 25 p.c. dia.

**Temperature.**  
Hongkong, 29th October, 1868.  
9 A.M. 3 P.M.  
Barometer, ... 30.080 29.966  
Attached Thermometer, 76 77  
Dry Bulb, ... 76.5 77.5  
Wet Bulb, ... 71.0 68.0  
Maximum S. Reg., ... 71.0 82.0  
Minimum S. Reg., ... 68.0 100  
Maximum on Grass, ... 68.0 —  
Previous (Rain on Grass), 0.00 —  
24 hours, ... above, 0.00 —  
Wind, ... N.E. N.E.  
Forces, ... 3 3  
Cloud, ... 7 6  
Ozone, ... 4 3  
Weather, ... Dull Dull.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCT. 29, 1868.

## THE DIFFICULTIES OF JOURNALISM.

THE two subjoined paragraphs came out in papers by the last mail. The first narrows the exercise of a bit of despotism and unjust power, after the manner of a certain Acting Attorney General whom we wot of. The second, from the *Illustrated News*, records the fact that an effort is being made to pay honor to the memory of Leigh Hunt, for the reasons assigned by the writer. The Acting Attorney General above referred to, will feel comfort in the reflection that he has again put into operation against a journalist the barbarous law from which poor Leigh Hunt suffered. To be sure, Hunt felt the law in its full rigour, for no defence of truth or justification was permitted to him. In the more recent case such an injustice was attempted "by mistake." The defendant is allowed to plead that he said nothing but what was true, and that he acted in the interests of the public; but practically his pleas are of no avail to him, for the Acting Attorney General will not proceed with the case. The delay is inexplicable—except upon grounds that we do not care to explain yet. We may observe, however, that though the alleged libels are said to endanger the peace, amity, and concord between Great Britain and Portugal, there has not yet been any declaration of war by the latter power against its ancient ally! So, up to the present time the effect of the libels has been innocuous so far; and it is admitted that they do not affect private character. It was a brilliant idea, to suggest such a prosecution, and the manner in which it is being conducted must prove eminently gratifying to the persons who, in a pecuniary sense, are chiefly interested on behalf of the prosecutors. However, to our paragraphs:—

The Star remarks that Gibraltar crosses very loudly in the face of its Spanish neighbours about its English freedom. Gibraltar, too, has an English Governor, Sir Richard Airey, once Lord Raglan's Commissary-General in the Crimea; and this English Governor, it is stated, exercises some very un-English powers. What shall we say of a society in which the highest authority has a right not only to make law, but to make laws by his mere ordinance and without notice? What shall we say if the law so made is put into force at once! These things are done on the famous little rock by the Pillars of Hercules. A printing firm in Gibraltar announced some time since the publication of a newspaper under the name of the *Calypso*. The town had already one journal, the *Gibraltar Chronicle*—the *Chronicle*, so to speak, of the Governor—and possibly the Governor thought, as it is said some eminent persons at Paris think, that opposition newspapers are a nuisance. All at events, the proprietors of the new journal were instructed that if they attempted to publish the paper as they proposed an ordinance would be issued making such publication illegal without a license, which would only be granted under stringent conditions. The printing firm were rash enough to embark on their speculation in spite of this friendly hint, and accordingly the ordinance was made—that is to say, the law was altered to suit the notions of Sir Richard Airey and the convenience of the *Gibraltar Chronicle*. The proprietors of the *Calypso* then applied for a license. They were told they could get it only on condition of publishing nothing else in their paper but telegrams and shipping news, and of course these hard terms they were compelled to accept. Such is the story of the speculation of the Gibraltar printing firm. If it can be explained, somebody had better explain it.

As usual the grocer on the four-oared race, and for this reason he was four entries—*Kip*, *Ripple*, *The Kelpie*, Mr. Woodin's crew, stately fitted and in and is a novelty in black. Her crew is A. McLeod, J. P. T. and E. L. Woodin, a very fine craft, "the *Calypso*," but with it of "better days," as much "go" in crew—Messrs Weeks and Buckle appear to "out" of her. The name (at least so we boat building for and although she is she ought to be fast in the water we can crew, Messrs Glasser, Mr. Woodin, and built by the builder and is to out-moved" of any in the Messrs W. H. Ray, Love—"keep her go well to the front

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suffered for the press. Let none, even of those who think that he carried his doctrine of universal philanthropy and amiability to an excess—a fault that may be pardoned for its rarity—fail to remember that he was heavily fined and incarcerated for two years for one of the most legitimate pieces of satire that ever was launched in correction of abuse and inevitable addition. It was no more than a gentleman should be sent to prison for remarking that a Royal Adonis on whom a scribbler had lavished honours of the most sickening character was rather a fat Adonis and was fit; but this was Leigh Hunt's real crime. It may be thought almost as incredible that a creature could be found to write that which Hunt satirized; but there are writers who are and will be ready even for that. But those who may lash them will not go to goal, and that they will not is due in large part to men who dared to speak out, as Leigh Hunt did, when speaking was very dangerous.

We fully sympathize with the latter remark, for had it not been from fear of that occult power known as public opinion, to which Leigh Hunt was among the earliest to give expression, the law as it was applied to him would have been applied also in its full integrity to the latter-day defendant. Sir Vicary Gibbs found no cause to regret the tyrannous proceeding of which he was the agent. Shall we able to say the same by and bye of the Acting Attorney General of Hongkong?

We have received a letter from a correspondent who has lately been in Japan. He was in Yedo for several days, and says that everything appears at a stand still there; the city being full of soldiers, residence or business there is not desirable nor over safe. The city is not yet open. The Mikado's party is gaining the day every where, and our correspondents, whose judgment and whose opportunities for forming a correct opinion are very reliable, expresses his belief that in that fact consists the surest hope of internal peace and outward improvement. He concludes with this aspiration: "Oh! that we had Sir Harry in China. He is the boy for us. He is flung away in Japan, though he is on the top step there."

LOCAL.

H. M. S. *Adventure* left to-day for Shanghai and Japan, having on board H. E. Sir Richard and Lady Macdonnell, the Hon. Mr. Rennie, and Superintendents and Stores for the squadron. Consequent on the payment of the *Adventure*, navigating Lieutenant John Tully has been appointed to the *Princess Charlotte*, vice Corbett to the *Adventure*, to conduct the duties of Queen's Harbor Master at the port.

TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr May sat to-day, but only one or two cases were brought forward. Mr Alfred, Inspector of buildings, appeared to charge Onon Kinn Chow, a native builder, with negligence, inasmuch as he was employed to repair the roof of the French Consulate, Elgin street, and neglected to take the necessary precautions for preventing accidents. It appeared from Mr Alfred's evidence, that the roof of the Consulate collapsed yesterday afternoon, and the Inspector, knowing that the accident was consequent on the negligence of defendant, caused the said defendant to be apprehended. Mr May remarked that Mr Alfred had no right whatever to arrest defendant, as there was no criminal charge against him. Defendant was therefore discharged; and Inspector Gorman (an officer who has lately joined the force) was authorized by his Worship for having taken the charge at all.

THE REGATTA.

The time has come when the Regatta is fast approaching, and although the weather has not been very favorable for training, and occasionally close and hot, yet there are young men to be found who are willing to incur the little disagreeableness consequent on "getting fit," and who have been working steadily for some weeks past "getting together," and it may fairly be assumed that no great alterations will now be made in any of the competing boats. Several new boats have been added to the list, and if the one all-important item be favorable, viz., the weather, with the attractive programme advertised by the Committee, the value of the prizes, and the spirit with which the amateur competitors appear to be actuated, a most successful meeting will result.

As usual the greatest interest is centred on the four-oared races (of which there are three), and for these we believe there will be four entries—*Kelpie*, *Ariel*, *Banisher*, and *Ripple*. The *Kelpie* is a new boat built for Mr Woodin's crew, and is a most exquisitely fitted and finished piece of work; and is a novelty in that she is painted black. Her crew is composed of Messrs A. McLeod, J. P. Turner, W. O. Morrison and E. L. Woodin, a very powerful crew in a very fine craft. The *Ariel* is the *Ariel* of "other days," but we are inclined to doubt if it is "better days," for she appears to have much "go" in her as ever, and her crew—Messrs W. A. McLeod, Grainger, and Buckle appear to know how to get it "out" of her. The *Banisher* is to be the name (at least so we are informed) of a new boat built for the late *Bubbel* crew, and although she is not a handsome craft, she ought to be fast, and as she is not yet in the water we can only hope that her crew, Messrs Glass, Scott, Meuser, and Simpson, will find her everything they could desire. The *Ripple*, a new boat also this year, built by the builder of the *Ariel*, is a very fast and is to our minds the "earliest moved" of any in the list, and if her crew—Messrs W. H. Ray, Legge, Stearns, and Lowe—"keep her going," she ought to be well to the front.

With regard to the Sculling and Double Sculling Races we shall have something more to say in a day or two, and we shall also pull round the yachts after the entries are made, which entries we observe are to close on Saturday next, the 24th inst.

On Saturday last Madame Roussau, the wife of the editor of the *Horizon*, was buried at St. Severin. At her own express desire she was interred without any religious ceremony.

The *Figure* computes the aggregate receipts of the billiard-table-keepers of Paris at £12,000 a day.

SPIRIT LICENSES.

MEETING OF JUSTICES.

The annual meeting of Justices, for the consideration of applications for spirit licenses, was held this forenoon, at the Magistrate's Court. Present: Mr May (presiding), Mr Murray, Messrs Mitchell and Walker, and Captain Deane, acting-superintendent of police. There were twenty-six applications, being five less than the number presented at the last annual meeting.

*National Tavern*.—J. Olsen applied, and his application was granted without question.

*Lord Nelson Tavern*.—Andrew Albert, formerly inspector of nuisances in the Police force, appeared as applicant in this case, for a license held formerly under the sign of the Union Tavern. Mr Deane drew the attention of the Justices to the case recently heard in the Summary Jurisdiction Court, in which the applicant summoned an inspector of police for games at skittles, with which drinks were being largely mixed up; the summons was dismissed. Mr May therefore observed that the loss of the money in such a case was sufficient punishment. With regard, however, to the charge against the applicant for having induced constables to go to his house,—to which charge, by the way, there was not sufficient evidence to justify a conviction—his Worship warned Albert, that if police-men were found to be harbored by him, it would be looked upon with more severity than in any other man, because he well knew the duties of a constable. Application was granted, and the warning noted as given.

*German Tavern*.—C. F. W. Petersen next appeared to ask for a renewal of the license to this house, which was formerly occupied by R. Devine. It was explained, however, that the applicant (who has held a license for eight years) was owner of the house before Devine purchased it, and as he wished to buy it back, he requested the license. The application was accordingly granted.

*Land We Live In*.—L. Kirchner appeared to apply for a license to sell liquor in the above public house. Some suspicious were entertained that the ownership was in some way mixed up in the Lunabul-farming system so prevalent last year; but the applicant denied having any connection whatever with Lunabul; and the Justices, in consideration of the fact that Messrs Holland and Menke, merchants, were the securities, granted the application.

*Slag Hotel*.—E. R. Holmes appeared as the applicant. Mr May said he supposed that Mr Holmes might have his license; on which there was a general assent, and the application was granted accordingly.

*British Hotel*.—John McNulty, the applicant in this case, has had a license for four years, two years of which it was used in the above-named establishment. As neither any of the Justices nor the Police authorities offered any objections, the application was granted.

*Liverpool Arms*.—J. F. Borges has held a license for sixteen years, five of which were spent in the house named above, and as the applicant protested that the house was bona fide his property, the license was allowed.

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*London Inn*.—G. W. Snelling has had a license for seven years, and removed his house from one in the block to the corner, foot of Aberdeen Street; steps to an objection was taken to the fact that he had let his former house to a man named Snell, who keeps an eating house or restaurant and gets liquor from the applicant. The applicant stated that he let the house to the first person who applied for it, and he got his rent monthly. Mr May said he believed that Mr Snelling would have the good sense to prevent any revelry or noise in the other house, even if Snell had no sufficient judgment. License granted.

*Victoria Hotel*.—Samuel Warren, applicant. Mr Deane submitted that this was a very disorderly house, and was invariably potted for the numbers of drunken seamen always about it. It had kept up its old notoriety since the applicant had taken it over; it was next door to another, and a difficulty always arose as to which house the drunken seamen came from. One or two of the Justices expressed their surprise that two houses should be allowed to be close together; and the applicant observed that he intended to remove at once to a new house, at one of the corners of the cross roads. Mr May said that was far too public a place for even a very well-conducted house, and the applicant had better give up that idea. The application was accordingly postponed for a fortnight, and Warren was instructed to look out for a better or more suitable place in the meantime.

*Oriental Bar and Bowling Alley*.—Two applicants appeared to contest possession of this house—Messrs J. W. Pearce (store-keeper) and D. Brown (the present barman). Mr Sharp, who appeared on behalf of Mr Pearce, explained that his client was the landlord of the premises and held the three years' lease, while Mr Brown was not a tenant at all, the house having been let to a Mr Blackwood (whom the Justices no doubt knew very well), whose barkeeper Brown was. As Mr Pearce wished to make some alterations, he now applied himself for the license; and as his client had been long resident in the Colony, and his securities were thoroughly respectable, he hoped the Justices would grant the application. His intention was to carry on the store in a very small way; and as his wife and himself lived upon the premises, there would be nothing beyond a sale of ham and cheese, in the same way as was carried on at the Stag Hotel by Mr Holmes.

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Mr May pointed out that, under Section 24 of the Spirit License Ordinance, no spirits can be dispensed of by retail "in any house or place in or on which a retail shop for the sale of other article is kept." Mr Sharp replied that this section showed no reason why a person who kept a public house could not be interested in some other business, except that of boarding houses, which was distinctly provided against. The store would be simply for sale of ham, cheese, and would be entirely distinct from the bar. There would be a reasonable objection to drink being sold in Lane, Crawford & Co's, for instance, but here the dwelling-house was between the bar and the temporary store. Mr May said that, by the ordinance, the two businesses cannot be carried on by one man; and Mr Sharp replied that it was all in the same block, and communication was kept up to the tenant, not the owner, of the retailing house. Mr May said that there were always objections to having back entrances. Mr Pearce caused considerable amusement by saying that they were two front entrances, which faced Wyndham and Wellington Streets. Mr Murray asked about the \$10,000 given by the Hotel Company as a bonus for shutting up the hotel; and Mr Pearce replied that the above sum was paid to the tenant, not the owner, of the retailing house. Mr May said that there were always objections to having back entrances. Mr Pearce caused considerable amusement by saying that they were two front entrances, which faced Wyndham and Wellington Streets. Mr Murray asked about the \$10,000 given by the Hotel Company as a bonus for shutting up the hotel; and Mr Pearce replied that the above sum was paid to the tenant, not the owner, of the retailing house.

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imposing upon the Justices. —Julien pleaded that he had given it up; he was very sick, and could go home. Mr May remarked that it was not very clear that action; but they knew all about it; the applicant was ordered to close up a dangerous side-door leading on to Ladder Street steps, and the application was then granted.

*Sailor's Home*.—Captain Overbury, Superintendent of the Home, appeared. Mr May remarked that he had had very few cases lately from the Home. License granted.

*Army and Navy*.—This was formerly the house occupied by Jeremiah Foley, now of Kowloon. Chas. Browne now applied for a license, which was granted.

*Hamburg Tavern*.—W. F. Busch, who applied for a renewal of the above license, was interrogated regarding a violent assault by seamen in his house a few days ago, of which both the barman and Busch pleaded ignorance before the Magistrate. Busch said that the row was so sudden that he could not see it; besides, he could not help it. Mr May cautioned the applicant; Mr Murray spoke well otherwise of the house; and Mr Jarman said that it was the barman's fault. License granted.

*Continental Restaurant*.—Praya.—J. Krizsanovitch applied for a license under the new system, as enacted by Ordinance No. 10 of 1868, and presented a petition from a number of the members of the German merchant vessels. Mr Deane demurred to grant a license, but the Justices agreed that, as the house was not completely fitted, as the house would inspect the same; and the application was accordingly postponed to the 12th Nov., after which he would obtain a license.

*Hongkong Hotel*.—Mr Charles Langdon Davies was expected to appear personally as applicant for the above license, but failed to do so. Mr Deane remarked that, as the Hotel license had been formerly taken out in Mr Duggan's name, and that gentleman had gone for some time while the license had never been transferred, he was of opinion that the Hotel Company were now open to a charge of selling without a license. Mr May believed, had the Police authorities done their duty, the managers of the Company would have been up before the Magistrate. Mr Deane said he did not know of it sooner. The question and application was adjourned to the 12th November.

ILLEGAL EXACTATIONS.

Supreme Court & Consular Gazette, Oct. 17.

The ever recurring grievance of illegal exactions upon foreigners' goods, by the Chinese authorities, is again attracting considerable attention. Both in this settlement and at the neighbouring port of Chinkiang complaints are now being received from organized local taxation which takes place in the foreign settlement of Shanghai, is certainly assuming a somewhat alarming nature; as the Opium Guild have engaged a foreigner to collect their dues upon this article. With regard to this special article no actual illegality can be alleged, as the stipulations with respect to transit dues do not apply to it as to other foreign goods. At the same time, the Guild are allowed to make a virtual monopoly of the trade; and although it is extremely difficult to discover in what way it is done, there is no doubt that a perfect understanding exists between these bodies and their authorities, by means of which much the same system as the old Hong system, abolished by the Tientsin Treaty, is established, without however the responsibility in regard to foreigners which that mode of conducting business produced. The statement that the Opium Guild are officially licensed, which has been made in one of the local papers, appears to be a misapprehension; as it seems, according to the best authority on the subject, that the Guilds voluntarily undertake the collection of the local taxes. Such at least is the opinion under which the latter shelter themselves when any questions are addressed to them on the subject, although we imagine there is no doubt whatever that considerable pressure both from above and from below is exerted upon all those who venture to trade without joining the Guild; so that, even if no official license be granted in the form of a document, protection to a limited number of traders, the object to be thereby attained, is effectively secured. Difficulties are thrown out in the way of the new system, but are not connected with the Guilds, and never they apply for Customs' permits, or otherwise have recourse to the assistance of the authorities. On the other hand, coercion of a very strong nature by the members of the Guilds against any man not belonging to their body, is allowed to go on; and this system of leaving the management of the affairs of a particular class or business, upon certain conditions, in the hands of those immediately concerned in it, is the essence of the principle of local self government universal in China—is productive of an amount of arbitrary oppression on the part of irresponsible combinations, to whom the authority which should properly be exercised by the Government themselves is delegated, such as is more restrictive in its nature and more pernicious in its effects than the arbitrary system of holding office by rotation that could possibly be openly inaugurated, and for any length of time be tolerated on the part of the authorities themselves.

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*Bombay Tavern*.—J. Gomez, the applicant, who was formerly a steward, paid \$1,000 for the above establishment, and Mr May remarked that it was a *bona fide* sale, the seller having sold it because he could not make it pay otherwise. License granted.

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The point, however, at which the subject becomes one of legitimate enquiry on the part of the foreign authorities, is where the system of monopoly above described is applied to goods protected by the clauses in the Treaty of Tientsin regarding transit dues. In respect to all articles of foreign trade, with the exception of opium, it is contrary to the provisions of the Treaty for the Chinese authorities to levy any taxes in excess of those provided by the Treaty; and, whether the form in which such taxes are collected be by direct impost, or by the formation of a monopoly, the result is the same, a distinct injur-

ment of the Treaty provisions. Any foreigner, therefore, who may aid in the collection of such dues is clearly making himself a party to an illegal act, and liable to be punished accordingly.

The great difficulty in dealing with the question in a practical manner results from a very simple but a very lamentable cause, namely the complete absence, on the part of the Chinese officials of anything which can be designated by the name of honour. That it was never contemplated by Treaty that local transit dues should be levied in any way that Chinese choose to think fit must be obvious to the commonest capacity; and it is not to be supposed that the shrewd officials are unaware of the exact bearing of this question. At the same time they are preparing in their efforts to evade the provision, and are constantly working by underhanded and dishonest means. One mode in which they obtain their end is well worthy of notice, as illustrating the description of arts which the Chinese employ with that object. A delay of such a length is made in case any foreigner objects to pay a transit duty, that, although decision may ultimately be given in his favour, he comes out a considerable loser; and is very little disposed to raise the question again. This is, as we are informed, what actually took place in a recent case; and we may well ask how any satisfactory settlement of this matter can ever be made with people who do not scruple to stoop to such stratagems of this kind.

It will probably be in the recollection of our readers that the Chinese authorities, in the Rules with reference to consulations to which they recently agreed, made a great point of the fact that no compensation should at anytime be granted to the merchant; and to this an assent was given by the foreign authorities. When, however, the discovery to what use this fact may be turned, we may naturally be disposed to question whether it can be permitted to continue, or whether, as the consulation rules are to be in force only for one year, this portion of them might not advantageously be amended.

With respect to the employment of foreigners by Guilds, whether licensed or not licensed, seeing that these institutions undoubtedly act as a means of levying a tax upon our trade, and establishing a monopoly with regard to those who deal in our goods, it will at least be desirable that every opposition should be made to the innovation now threatened, except the whole system be explained, made above-board, agreed to, and properly carried out. Nothing could be more satisfactory than that a system similar to the Inspectorate of Customs should be applied to the collection of the Transit Dues, but on the other hand, the matter has reached a point at which it is necessary that it should be taken into serious consideration, when European are employed by the Chinese to maintain what, when the subject is investigated to the bottom, will beyond doubt prove to be nothing more nor less than a system organised by the authority, or at least with the concurrence and support, of the Chinese officials, with the distinct object of laying illegal imposts on foreign commerce.

THE ERECTION OF LIGHTHOUSES.

When, in a previous number of this paper, we felt called upon to draw attention to the manner in which the erection of the proposed Lighthouses had been delayed, we found ourselves unwittingly in some sort converted into a stipendiary for Mr. Hart's further progress towards political power. Our well founded complaints were made the ground work of a new and lofty scheme having a base of Marine Commissioners, Lighthouse Inspectors, &c., while Mr. Hart, on high, sat on the apex of the pyramid. With a flourish, this new scheme was presented to the public; certain individuals, already in the Customs' Service, were raised to airy rank, while a generation of new and untamed men of all nations, kindred and tongues were tied into the vacant offices.

A staff out of proportion to the work to be done was formed, and, under the sounding title of the "Hydrographic Office," was held up for our admiration. When we ask what has been the result of all this, we learn that the Lightship on the Tungsha Bank has been made to carry a revolving light far inferior in power to the one displaced, and that a commencement has been made with the erection of a Lighthouse on Outlaik at a cost of about £7,000.

It is a most curious portion of the tale to be told. It seems that Mr. Hart had already in the early portion of last year communicated with the Admiralty with regard to the proposed lights at the entrance to this river, and had asked their recommendation of a gentleman to assist him. This was granted, and the testimonials of a gentleman of experience were, it seems, sent out upwards of a year ago. Hence that we learn no reply whatever has been received from the Inspector General, but that Mr. Hart has proceeded with the organization of his own scheme, taking care to fill the posts with men well known to be subservient to his own private interests.

When we turn to Art. XXXII of the Treaty of Tientsin, we find the manner in which such work shall be proceeded with very clearly and succinctly expressed. "The Consuls," we are told, "shall consult with the Superintendent of Customs respecting the erection of lighthouses, beacons, &c., and the spirit and the letter of the instrument both coinciding in leaving in a great measure the final arrangement of local matters in the hands of those best versed in the wants of the several ports. Instead of this, however, Mr. Hart has of his own motion assumed the lead in the new arrangement.

We have not heard of our Minister being consulted, and we know for certain that Mr. Fitz-Roy's scheme, founded on good faith on Treaty stipulations, has been set aside as too crude for the new regime. After Mr. Hart's communications with the Admiralty, it might have been supposed that in the final arrangements their nominees would have been consulted, yet nothing of the sort has been done; and should that gentleman strive, he will find himself in the unpleasant position of being placed below a set of officials under an officer of whose intentions, existence, and being he was recommended by the Admiralty, he had no knowledge whatever.

If we compare Mr. Hart's new scheme with the arrangements in existence in the British Islands, we notice how remarkable is the attempted innovation. In each of the three kingdoms the lighting and general management of the beacons &c. is placed in the hands of a board, either elective or holding office ex officio, and in all cases composed in great measure of those having large local interests or who have distinguished themselves in practical navigation. In

England we find the "Brethren of the Trinity House" partly composed of eminent statesmen and partly of experienced navigators; in Scotland, the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses composed of the highest officers of the Crown and the chief magistrates of the counties and principal boroughs; in Ireland the "Ballast Board" consisting partly of delegates from the Corporation of Dublin and partly of elected members.

Mr. Hart's assumptions of power have been so marked, and his interference with political matters, so far as we can see by our present lights, so antagonistic to general commercial interests that it may perhaps be thought advisable to insist upon the original stipulation of the Treaty, namely that the erection of Lighthouses, &c., shall rest with the Consuls and Superintendent of Customs, with probably the additional advice of a few native and foreign merchants to form a general Harbour and Lighting Board, being carried out in its entirety.

HOW BROUGHAM CAME TO BE A SCOTCHMAN.

Henry Brougham, of Brougham Hall, in the county of Westmorland, and of Soles Hall, in the county of Cumberland, was born in 1742. He seems to have followed no profession; and we have discovered no incident in his life until he was upon the eve of his marriage. There is a romantic story about that important event. To what degree it is authentic we do not attempt to say; as we have received it, we reproduce it; our authority being Chambers's Traditions of Edinburgh. It is there narrated that he had been betrothed to a young lady whose parents resided in his own neighbourhood. Shortly before the approaching nuptials she sickened and died. Mr Brougham was affected by such poignant grief that his friends feared for his sanity. They urged him to remove for a time from scenes every one of which recalled him memories which were too cruel for endurance. He accepted their advice and betook himself to Edinburgh. Having secured a temporary lodging at an inn, he sallied forth to walk through one of the most picturesque cities of the world. He ascended to the ancient castle, and entered into conversation with a citizen, or a stranger better acquainted than himself with the neighbouring scenery. This person pointed out to the Cumberland gentleman the leading points of the magnificent panorama that stretches within the gaze of him who stands upon the Half-moon, or the Moun Meg battery. Being impressed with the apparent respectability of his chance companion, Mr Brougham requested him to inform him where he could find suitable apartments and accommodation while he was in the Scottish metropolis. He was recommended to stay at a boarding-house kept by an estimable widow lady at the foot of the Grass-market, and head of the Cawgate—the latter being now the St. Giles of Edinburgh. Mr Brougham followed the stranger's advice, and took up his abode under the roof of the lady who had been recommended to him. It turned out that she was the widow of the Reverend minister of Alloa, and the sister of no less a man than the very head of Edinburgh society, Mr Robertson, the Principal of the University, and the well known biographer of Charles V. Whether the introduction was so casual and fortuitous we know not. This, at least, was certain that Mr Brougham did live for a time in the house of Mrs. Syme. Equally certain is it that the visit to Edinburgh, which had been recommended to him to obliterate the memory of his former passion was successful; for he fell in love with his landlady's only daughter, Elizabeth, widow of a bar and married her, in the year 1787. He then resided and took up his permanent abode in Edinburgh. His position in life enabled him to select any place he chose for residence. His bride, who was her mother's only surviving child, may have influenced him to select the city where he had won her, and where her mother lived. Mr Brougham himself was, doubtless, far from insensible to the advantages which would spring from the introduction to pleasant and profitable society which his wife's uncle could not fail to secure him. The lovely New Town of Edinburgh was at the time beginning to be built, and Mr Brougham chose as his residence the house at the north-west corner of St. Andrew's-square, the first square built in the New Town. In this house Henry, the eldest child, born to Mrs. Brougham, first saw the light, on the 10th of September, 1778.

The war rumours so prevalent on the Continent just now, and the presence of the Emperor at the Camp of Chalons, lead the *Times* to estimate the chances of a conflict between the two great European Powers. So long as a nation's greatness may be gauged by hundreds of thousands of soldiers, France may easily look upon herself as placed at the head of Europe. But France is no longer what she was; she is a nation of soldiers, and she feels so sure of her numerical



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Hongkong, April 9, 1867.

FOR SALE.  
A FREE-REED CHAMBER ORGAN, 4 ft. 6 inches high, 3 ft. 3 inches wide. Two Key Boards, compass C to C in all 61 notes; Organ Knee Swell, and Harmonium self-blowing pedals.

OR SWELL ORGAN.—8 feet Diapason, Dulciana 8 feet, Bassoon, and Oboe.  
ON GREAT ORGAN.—8 feet open Diapason, Double Diapason, 16 feet Diapason and Principal.

COUPLERS.  
Swell to Great. Octave coupler in Swell. The instrument is of great power and well adapted to a small Church or large Hall. The swell is particularly effective. Competent workmen would be provided to erect it in Hongkong.

For terms &c. address "Organ," care of China Mail Office.  
Hongkong, September 8, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
Just Received.  
Barrels PORTLAND CEMENT.  
Apply to  
FREDERICK DEGENAER,  
3, d'Aguiar Street.  
Hongkong, September 12, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
A Small Invoice of very superior CHAMPAGNE.  
HOWARD HODGES.  
Hongkong, September 10, 1868.

NOTICE.  
PAWCETT & Co. having received NEW GOODS, per Chetah and Veronica, OPENED a Temporary Store, on the 1st September, 1868, in the lower portion of their Premises, facing Wyndham Street and next to their late Store.

FOR SALE.  
Bags of Pale Ale, in hds. and Kilderkins. Do. in pints and quarts.  
Guinness's Dublin Stout, pta. and qts.  
Hennessy's Pale Brandy, in bulk and bottle.  
Swain Boord's Ginger Brandy and Old Tom.  
Fine Dinner, After Dinner, and Breakfast Claret.  
Pale Sherry and old Port, &c., &c.

Also,  
York Ham, Cheddar and Dutch Cheese, Loaf Sugar, Jams, Pickles, Tart-Fruits, Currants, Raisins (padding), kippered Salmon, pickled and fresh Salmon, Hops, Butter, Ox Tongues in jelly, Cocoa and Chocolate and Milk, potted Meats, Sauce and Anchovies, fancy Biscuits, Pickled HERRINGS, Lime Juice, and other Goods.  
Hongkong, August 31, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
EX S.S. "TIGRE."  
A FEW Bags of MOCHA COFFEE, @ \$7 per bag of 25 lb.  
Apply to  
G. DUBOST & Co.  
Hongkong, August 31, 1868.

FOR SALE, AT THE CHINA SUGAR REFINERY, EAST POINT.  
SUGAR of the Finest Crystals, equal if not superior to the English Loaf, ranging from No. 1 to 6.  
Also GOLDEN SYRUP, double refined, in quantities to suit purchasers.  
WAREE & Co.  
CHINA SUGAR REFINERY,  
East Point, 5th August, 1868.

STEAM COALS.  
For Sale from Store, or deliverable on Board, ENGLISH—London-dred West Hartley. Davison's West Hartley, Straker's West Hartley.  
WELSH—Blaengware Marthyr.  
Apply to  
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.  
Hongkong, March 16, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
COALS suitable for Household purposes.  
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.  
Hongkong, October 8, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, MUMM & Co.'s HOCK & MOSELE, qts. and pta.  
Chillingworth's SHERRY and PORT.  
CHAMBERTIN, WHISKY.  
WHITE & PRICE'S BRANDY.  
ALISON'S ALE, draught and bottle.  
BARCLAY & GUINNESS'S STOUT.  
BRIDGES & SON'S PORTER.  
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.  
Hongkong November 20, 1867.

FOR SALE.  
150 CASES Martine's Aromatic BITTERS, superior quality.  
100 cases SHERRY.  
100 cases PORT.  
MULLER & CLAUSSEN.  
Hongkong, January 13, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, complete.  
MULLER & CLAUSSEN.  
Hongkong, January 13, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
YELLOW METAL, 18 to 28 oz. Muntz and Vivian.  
JOHN BURD & Co.  
Hongkong, April 5, 1867.

## For Sale.

NOTICE.  
Selling off at great reduction of Prices.  
THE Undersigned, being desirous of closing Consignments, offer to the Public—  
3000 cases of CLARETS and French WHITE WINES, comprising ordinary, good, fine and finest flavored Clarets, White Wines, Chablis, &c., which they will sell at extremely low prices.

Breakfast Claret.  
MARGAUX MEDOC, \$2.75 per doz.  
St. JULIEN, \$4.00  
St. EMILION, \$4.50  
Chateaux MARGAUX, \$5.00

Dinner and After-dinner Claret.  
Hauts St. EMILION, \$7.00 per doz.  
PONTET (ANET), \$7.50  
VRAY CANON, \$8.00  
CHATEAUX LAROU, \$10.00  
ORUSSE FILS, \$10.00

Hauts BRION, \$10.00  
CHATEAUX LAFFITE, \$12.00  
CHAUNE MOATON, \$12.00  
Hauts SAUTERNE, \$3.50  
Hauts BARSAC, \$4.00  
CHATEAUX D'YQUEM, \$5.00  
CHATEAUX D'QUEM, \$5.00  
De MARQUIS De \$10.00  
SURA LUCE

Dry CHABLIS in \$5.50  
Champagne bottles, \$5.50

Burgundy Wines.  
CHAMBERTIN, \$13.00 per doz.  
CLOS DE VONGEOT, \$13.00  
VOLNAY, \$12.50  
POMMARD, \$10.00  
Nuits, \$9.00  
BAUNE, \$8.00  
HERMITAGE ROUGE, \$8.00

All these Wines are guaranteed of sound quality.  
Purchasers of 20 cases and upwards will receive an extra discount.  
LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
THE Undersigned offer for Sale at very moderate prices a choice Assortment of fine flavored Rhenish WINES, as:—  
Genuine JOHANNESBERGER CABINET.  
MARCOBRUNNER CABINET.  
SCHNAPPSBERG.  
LIEBFAUEN MILCH.  
NIBERSTEINER, in quarts and pints.  
RUDESHEIMER BERG.  
SELZTER WATER, in quarts and pints.

Also,  
Ruhrer Perle & File CHAMPAGNE, in quarts and pints.  
Gasper Testulet's CHAMPAGNE, in qts. and pints.  
Perrier Jouet's CHAMPAGNE.  
Jules Mumm.  
Adolph Collas Beury MOUSSEUX.  
Eugene CLOUOT.  
Duc de Montebello CORDON, in quart and pints.  
Sparkling HOCK.  
After Dinner CLARET, in pints.  
LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
EX "ESTAFETTE" and other Arrivals.  
GENUINE AVH GIN in red cases, 15 squares.  
Genuine AVH GIN, in white bottles.  
Palm-tree Brand GIN, in 15 squares.  
Dutch OURAQUA, in stone bottles.  
At LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, May 22, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
EX "MOBILE" and other late Arrivals.  
100 BARRELS Hamburg Prime Mess BEEF.  
100 barrels Hamburg Prime Mess PORK.  
A well assorted Invoice of Fleth's Prime quality Russian ROPE, BOLTROPE, Seizing STUFF, ROUSELINE, MARLINE, LACINES, Signal HALLARDS, SPUN YARN, &c., &c.  
At LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, May 22, 1868.

FOR SALE.  
EX "BELTED WILL," "CHUSAN," &c., &c.  
BASS'S ALE in hogsheads and Kilderkins.  
Bass's STOUT in hogsheads.  
Bass's ALE in bottle, quarts and pints.  
Guinness's STOUT in bottle, quarts and pints.  
Hennessy's Pale Old BRANDY.  
Old Tom GIN.  
Dinner SHERRIES from \$6 upwards.  
Fine Old Port.  
Ginger WINE, Ginger BRANDY and Orange BITTERS.<



Post-office Notifications.

MAILS BY THE "EMEU".  
The Contract Packet "EMEU" will be dispatched with the usual Mails for Europe, &c., on TUESDAY, the 3rd November, at 9 A.M., and the Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Letters for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 8 P.M. on the 2nd Nov. Letters, &c., may be posted in the night box from 8 P.M. on the 2nd Nov., until 7 A.M. on the following morning.

All Letters posted between 7 and 8 A.M. on the 3rd Nov., will be chargeable, in addition to the usual postage, with a Late Fee of 18 cents.  
The latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 8 A.M. and for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 7 A.M. on the 3rd Nov.

Payment for Postage Stamps must be made in the current Dollars of the Colony or Bank Notes.

Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted until 5 P.M. on the 19th inst.

Further, late letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom and Mauritius or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet from 8.30 to 8.50 A.M. on payment of a late fee of 48 cents each, in addition to the postage, after which no Letters can be received.

Sealed Boxes containing the correspondence of Box Holders will be received at the window set apart for the purpose, on the East Side of the building.

All correspondence for places to which prepayment is compulsory must be prepaid in Hongkong Postage Stamps.

Insufficiently stamped Letters addressed to the United Kingdom will be sent on, charged with a fine of One Shilling in addition to the postage.

Letters posted after 7 A.M. on the 3rd Nov. will not be forwarded unless the Late Fee as well as the postage is prepaid.

Letters insufficiently stamped or unstamped addressed to places to which they cannot be forwarded unpaid, will be opened and returned to the writer as early as possible, but no guarantee can be given that such Letters, if posted after 8 P.M. on the 2nd Nov., will be returned until after the mail is closed.

Postage Stamps should be placed on the upper right hand corner of the correspondence, except in cases where they may be used in payment of "Late Fees," when the Stamp or Stamps representing the late fee should be placed on the lower left hand corner.

All transactions in fractional parts of a Dollar will be conducted in the Coins prescribed by Ordinance 1, of 1864, and the Proclamation of the 22nd January, 1864, and no other Coins, but those therein specified will either be received or given in change as fractional parts of a Dollar.

Payment for Postage Stamps must be made in the current Dollars of the Colony or Bank Notes.

Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted until 5 P.M. on the 2nd November next.

F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.  
General Post Office,  
Hongkong, October 27, 1868.

It is hereby notified for general information that, henceforward the Postage chargeable on Books and Packets of Patterns addressed to the United States of America transmitted via the United Kingdom will be as follows, viz:—

Via Southampton.  
Under 4 ounces, 12 cents.  
Above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces, 24 "

Above 8 ounces and not exceeding 12 ounces, 36 "

Above 12 ounces and not exceeding 16 ounces, 48 "

For every additional 4 oz., 12 "

Via Marseilles.  
Under 4 ounces, 16 cents.  
Above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces, 32 "

Above 8 ounces and not exceeding 12 ounces, 48 "

Above 12 ounces and not exceeding 16 ounces, 64 "

For every additional 4 oz., 16 "

F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.  
General Post Office,  
Hongkong, October 27, 1868.

1.—On the 1st October next, and thenceforward Money Orders will be issued at this Office and at the Agencies thereof at Shanghai and Yokohama on all the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for amounts not exceeding £10, at the rate of Exchange current for each Mail, and charged with Commission according to the following Scale, viz:—

For sums not exceeding £2, 12  
Above £2 and not exceeding £5, 24  
" £5 " " £10, 48  
" £10 " " £20, 72  
" £20 " " £50, 108  
" £50 " " £100, 144  
For every additional £10, 12

2.—No Money Order to include a fractional part of a Penny.

3.—Orders drawn in the United Kingdom upon Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama, will be paid at the rate of Exchange at which Money Orders are being issued at the time of their presentation.

4.—Alphabetical Lists of over 3,700 Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom, showing the Counties in which they are situated, are hung up for public reference at this Office, and also at Shanghai and Yokohama.

5.—Applicants for Money Orders must furnish, in full, the surname, and, at least, the initial of one Christian name, both of the Remitter and the Payee; if the Remitter or Payee be a Peer or a Bishop, his ordinary title will be sufficient; if a firm, the usual designation of such firm, such as "Baring Brothers" will suffice; but the mere term Messrs., such as "Messrs. Rivington," or the name of a Company trading under a title which does not consist of the names of the persons composing it, such as "Carroll Co." is inadmissible.

6.—The Remitter on stating that the Order is to be paid only through a Bank, to have the option of giving or withdrawing the name of the Payee; in such case, the Order will be crossed in the same way that Cheques are commonly crossed when they are intended to be paid through a Bank.

7.—When an Order is presented through a Bank, a receipt by some person will be sufficient, provided the Order be crossed with the name of the receiving Bank, and be presented by some Person known to be in the employ of such Bank.

8.—The signature of the Payee of a Money Order to be attested to the Order in the place provided for the purpose. If the Payee be unable to write he must sign the receipt by making his mark in the presence of a Witness, who must sign his name, with his address in the presence of the Officer who pays the Order.

9.—Should the Payee of a Money Order desire to receive payment in the Country in which the Order was issued, at some other Office than that in which the Order was originally drawn, the transfer will be granted, provided the Order be inclosed to the Postmaster of the Office in which it was drawn. In such case a new Order will be issued, the Commission chargeable upon which will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

10.—In the event of a Money Order mislaid or being lost, a duplicate will be granted on a written application from the Payee, (containing the necessary particulars, and accompanied by an additional Commission) to the Office where the Original Order was payable.

11.—On the receipt of a similar application, orders will be given to stop payment of a Money Order, or to renew a Lapsed Order. The additional Commission in the last case will be deducted from the amount of the new Order. Lapsed Orders must be presented with the application for a new Order.

12.—But when it is desired that any error in the name of the Remitter or Payee should be corrected or that the amount of a Money Order should be repaid to the Remitter, or that a Lapsed Order should be renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, application must be made to the Chief Money Order Office of such Country. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it have reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

13.—Repayment whether of an original, or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained that the advice has been cancelled at the Office on which the Order was originally drawn.

14.—Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission, to be deducted from the amount of the Order, will be charged) will become necessary.

15.—If an Order be not paid before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn,—for instance, if drawn in January and not paid before the end of the following January,—all claim to the Money will be forfeited, unless, under peculiar circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

16.—After once paying a Money Order by whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If a wrong payment, however, be made owing to negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Country or Colony in which the negligence occurs will, if he see fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command,  
F. W. MITCHELL,  
Postmaster General.  
General Post Office,  
Hongkong, 22nd August, 1868.

Insurance.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
LONDON.  
Incorporated 1869.

CAPITAL—£1,000,000.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Marine risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co  
Hongkong, June 6, 1867.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.  
ESTABLISHED 1838.  
CAPITAL, £500,000.

Managing Agents in China.—Messrs. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Hongkong, Medical Referee, J. IVOY MURRAY, Esq., M.D.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Managing Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept risks and issue Policies on Life Assurances.

For further particulars, forms of proposals, &c., apply to  
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.  
Managing Agents in China.  
Hongkong, June, 1867.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
(FIRE AND LIFE.)  
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matchboxes, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information apply to  
ARNOLD KARBURG & Co.  
Agents Hongkong & Canton.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

Insurance.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine Risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.  
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

JAVA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents at Hongkong and Canton for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks at current rates.

ARNOLD KARBURG & Co.  
Hongkong, July 27, 1868. 27 Jan-69

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
NOTICE.  
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged on short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/4 of the Annual Rate.  
Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 1/2 " " "  
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " " "  
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

ARNOLD KARBURG & Co.  
Agents, Lancashire Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, April 14, 1868.

PHOENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$40,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, September 28, 1868.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO.  
THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company at the Ports of Tientsin and Kaitum, are prepared to grant Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates.

DODD & Co.  
Tientsin, 10th August, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$80,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Hongkong, August 24, 1864.

NOTICE.  
IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.  
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/4 of the annual rate  
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 1/2 " " "  
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " " "  
Above 6 months, the full annual rate.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.  
UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurances, viz:—

Detached and Semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from the Town, and their Contents, 1/4 per cent.  
Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.  
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c. and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY.  
AND  
FORBES & CO'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.  
Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from Town, and their Contents, 1/4 per cent.

Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.  
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c. and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.  
Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, March 9, 1868.

NOTICE.  
NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged in Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/4 of the annual rate.  
Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 1/2 " " "  
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " " "  
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Corporation are prepared to grant Fire and Marine Insurances on the usual Terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, December 29, 1867.

Insurance.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.  
CAPITAL £2,000,000  
ACCUMULATED FUNDS £2,233,927.

THE Undersigned Agents at Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same.

GILMAN & Co.  
Hongkong, June 21, 1864.

NOTICE.  
MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/4 per cent.  
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 1/2 " " "  
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " " "  
Above 6 months, the full annual rate.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 8, 1868.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.  
THE following rates will in future be charged for Short Period Insurances:—

One month, 1/4 per cent.  
Three months, 1/2 " " "  
Six months, 3/4 " " "  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

THE NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.  
(Established 1st January, 1863.)  
CAPITAL, Tls. 1,500,000, in 1,500 SHARES, FOR Tls. 1,000 EACH.  
Paid up Capital, Tals. 300,000, or Tals. 200 per Share.

Provisional Committee.  
W. J. BRYANS, Esq., Chairman.  
(Messrs. THOMPSON & Co.)  
E. H. BELL, Esq.  
(Messrs. W. R. ADAMSON & Co.)  
A. MICHIE, Esq.  
(Messrs. CHAPMAN, KING & Co.)  
E. H. LAVER, Esq.  
(Messrs. GILMAN & Co.)  
F. POLTER, Esq.  
(Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.)  
Directors of the Company, 1866-68.

A General Meeting held on Tuesday, the 12th day of May, 1868, the following Resolutions were passed, relative to the continuance of the Company for a further period of three years from the 1st January, 1869; and Notice is hereby given that applications for Shares in the annexed Form, will be received at the Offices of the Company until 31st October, 1868.

Applications for Shares from Persons not resident in Shanghai, must be accompanied by a Power of Attorney to their Agents to sign the Deed of Settlement on their behalf and generally to represent them in all matters connected with the Company.

In accordance with the Resolution passed at the meeting of 18th November, 1867, a separate Office of the Company will be opened in London, on 1st January, 1869.

By order of the Court of Directors,  
JOHN S. MACKINTOSH,  
Secretary.

Shanghai, May 15, 1868.

Form of Application for Shares.  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
To the Provisional Committee of the NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY,  
GENTLEMEN,

I hereby request that you will allot to Shares in the above Company, and agree to accept such Shares, or any less number you may allot to; and agree to pay the first call of Tls. 200 per Share, and all subsequent calls, and to subscribe to the Deed of Settlement whenever required to do so.

Gentlemen,  
Your obedient Servant.

Resolutions referred to above.  
RES. I.—That a Company to be called the "North-China Insurance Company" shall be formed for a further period of three years, from 1st January, 1869 to 31st Dec., 1871.

RES. II.—That the Directors for the time being of the present Company be appointed to act as a Provisional Committee to organize the new Company.

RES. III.—That this meeting recommends that the Provisional Committee, should adopt as the basis of the new Company that the capital should be 1,500,000 in 1,500 Shares of Tls. 1,000 each; Paid up Capital, Tls. 300,000 or Tls. 200 per Share, and that the Committee be authorized to issue a prospectus inviting applications for Shares and to proceed with the allotment. 3100

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
NOTICE.  
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/4 of the Annual Rate.  
Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 1/2 " " "  
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " " "  
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.  
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extent of £10,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.  
Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

Insurance.

ALLIANCE FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.  
NOTICE.  
FROM and after this date, the following rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/4 of the Annual Rate.  
Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 1/2 " " "  
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " " "  
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents, Alliance Fire Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

NOTICE.  
THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/4 of the annual rate.  
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 1/2 " " "  
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " " "  
Above 6 months, the full annual rate.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,  
Agents the Queen Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.  
PAID UP CAPITAL, \$500,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and China for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies at Current Rates.

OLYPHANT & Co.  
Hongkong, August 9, 1867.

NOTICE.  
GUARDIAN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.  
ESTABLISHED 1821.  
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company for Hongkong and Canton, are prepared to grant Policies at current rates.

OLYPHANT & Co.  
Hongkong, July 17, 1868.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.  
FIRE AND LIFE.  
CAPITAL, £2,000,000.

(LIFE DEPARTMENT.)  
£2 per Cent. per Annum Bonus declared during the last Fifteen Years on all Profit participating Policies of Two Years' standing.

The utmost liberality practised in the settlement of all Claims, with the representatives of deceased Assurers.

An Assurance for any sum not exceeding £1000 can be effected with the Undersigned without referring to Head-quarters.

By special authority of the Board, Claims are settled at once by the Undersigned without reference to England.

Fees to Medical Referees paid by the Company.

No forfeiture of Policy from unintentional mis-statement.

Premiums payable Half-yearly or Annually at the option of the Assured.

Annual Premiums for an Assurance of £100 for the whole term of Life, including £2. 10s. per Cent. for Foreign Risk, which will be deducted during a visit to or a permanent resident in Europe—

AGB. WITHOUT PARTICIPATION. WITH PARTICIPATION.

16 £3 19 8 £4 5 6  
20 4 3 8 4 9 4  
25 4 8 2 4 14 2  
30 4 13 11 4 19 9  
35 5 0 0 5 6 2  
40 5 8 0 6 14 1  
45 5 17 11 6 4 6  
50 6 11 7 6 13 3  
55 7 11 1 8 0 4  
60 8 18 0 9 8 7

N.B.—Intermediate ages charged proportionally.  
For Forms, for effecting Life Assurances, and for further information, apply to  
ROB. S. WALKER & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, September 3, 1864.

AMICABLE INSURANCE OFFICE.  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above INSURANCE OFFICE, are prepared to accept Marine Risks, and issue Policies on any first class Sailing Vessels or Steamers, on the usual terms, payable in case of loss, in Canton, Singapore, Calcutta, Bombay, or London.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.  
Hongkong, June 17, 1864.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM FOR FIRE INSURANCE.  
THE Undersigned have (as already intimated in their Circular dated 14th October last) received authority from the Secretary of the ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY to reduce the rate of Premium under certain circumstances, on PRIVATE RESIDENCES and on FURNITURE and EFFECTS, therein contained.

In cases of DWELLING-HOUSES removed from the Town, the rate of Premium will be Three-quarters per Cent. in place of One per Cent. per Annum as hitherto charged; and in cases of Residences, so situated, being detached or semi-detached, the rate will be further reduced to One-half per Cent.

The Royal's Annual Rates for Fire Insurance on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will therefore remain as follows, until further notice, viz:—

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling-Houses (removed from the Town) and their Contents, 1/4 per cent.  
Other Dwelling-Houses (similarly situated) and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.  
First Class China Houses and their Contents, 1 1/2 per cent.  
Other Risks as per special arrangement, ROB. S. WALKER & Co., Agents Royal Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, November 9, 1868.

Insurance.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding One Month, 1/4 per cent.  
Above One Month and not exceeding Three Months, 1/2 " " "  
Above Three Months and not exceeding Six Months, 3/4 " " "  
Above Six Months, The full Annual Rate of 1 per cent.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,  
Agents Royal Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

LIFE ASSURANCE.  
THE Undersigned have received Authority by a recent Mail to issue Life Policies for amounts not exceeding £1000 without reference to the Head Office, as was previously required by the Board.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,  
Agents Royal Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, January 6, 1866.

NOTICE.  
THE Undersigned having received extended limits from THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY, are now authorized to issue Policies against FIRE as follows, viz. On any one first-class Building, or on Goods stored therein—in Hongkong, \$60,000; in Macao \$45,000.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,  
Agents Royal Insur. Company of Liverpool.  
Hongkong, June 17, 1864.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.  
A DIVIDEND of (8 per cent.) Eight per cent. has been declared on the net Premium contributed to the above Association for the Year ending 30th September, 1867.

Policy holders will please send in particulars of their contribution to that date to the Undersigned.

RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, September 8, 1868.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.  
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, on BUILDINGS



